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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98 and to the duty of disclosure set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, the Examiner in charge of the above-identified application is requested to consider and make of record the references listed on the PTO/SB/08a form submitted herewith. A copy of each reference listed on the PTO/SB/08a form, other than U.S. patents, is enclosed.

Although the information submitted herewith may be "material" to the Examiner's consideration of the subject application, this submission is not intended to constitute an admission that such information is "prior art" as to the claimed invention.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(g), the filling of this Information Disclosure Statement shall not be construed to mean that a search has been made.

The following Japanese references are not in the English language:

- 1) 6-315879 A
- 2) 7-205065 A
- 3) 10-175188 A
- 4) 6-86868 U
- 5) 8-57648 A

Reference 5) includes an English language abstract.

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Reference 1) is a counterpart application of U.S. Patent No. 5,293,107.

Reference 2) is a counterpart application of U.S. Patent No. 5,606,235. Reference 3) is a counterpart application of U.S. Patent No. 6,250,174 B1.

References JP 63-95674 U and JP 08-57648 A, cited in the JP Office Action, were previously disclosed in the Information Disclosure Statement filed on July 17, 2006.

References 1) - 3) were cited by a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application. References 4) - 5) were cited in a Supplementary European Search Report in a counterpart foreign application. A copy of the English language Supplementary European Search Report, indicating the degree of relevance determined by the foreign patent office is submitted herewith. MPEP Section 609(a)lil, second paragraph.

More than three months have elapsed since the filing of the above-referenced application and a first (non-Final) Official Action has been received. No Final Action or Notice of Allowance has yet been received and it is presumed that none has yet been mailed.

Accordingly, the required fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p) is provided herewith.

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